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May 29, 2012

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
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Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

ADOPTED

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

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EXECUTIVE OFFICER

AWARD OF VARIOUS PUBLIC WORKS CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE SERVICE CONTRACTS IN THE CITY OF LONG BEACH AND IN VARIOUS CITIES AND UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES WITHIN THE LOS ANGELES RIVER WATERSHED (ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS) (3 VOTES)

SUBJECT

This action is to award public works construction and maintenance service contracts and authorize the Chief Engineer or her designee to execute contracts for work in the City of Long Beach and in various cities and unincorporated communities within the Los Angeles River Watershed.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD ACTING AS THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT:

Award and authorize the Chief Engineer or her designee to execute and implement the construction and maintenance services contracts and establish the effective dates following receipt of approved Faithful Performance and Labor and Material Bonds and insurance filed by the contractors for the following:

- Project ID No. FCC0001209 – Alamitos Bay Pump Station and Claretta Drain Pump Station Upgrade, to replace vertical mixed flow pumps and control system upgrades, to S.S. Mechanical Corporation, in the amount of \$1,197,000; and
- Project ID No. FMD0003125 – Catch Basin Cleanout 2012, Los Angeles River Watershed, to clean approximately 39,000 catch basins in various cities and unincorporated communities within the

Los Angeles River Watershed, to Ron's Maintenance, in the amount of \$468,000.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The purpose of the recommended actions is to obtain approval from your Board, acting as the governing body of the Los Angeles County Flood Control District (LACFCD), to execute the contracts and establish the effective contract dates following receipt of approved Faithful Performance and Labor and Material Bonds and insurance filed by the contractors for each of these projects.

On March 6, 2012, Agenda Items 40 and 39, respectively, your Board approved the projects, adopted the plans and specifications, called for bids to be received on April 10, and April 3, 2012, respectively, and instructed the Executive Officer of the Board of Supervisors to advertise the projects.

The project descriptions, call for bids and bid opening dates, tabulation of bids, and financial information are included in the enclosure for each respective project. The certified record of receipt of bids and the original bid proposals for each project are also enclosed.

The recommended construction and maintenance service contracts are necessary to execute Board directed and approved Department of Public Works (Public Works) projects in support of operational missions. Your Board's approval of the recommended contract awards and the subsequent execution of the contracts will ensure the timely completion of the projects.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The Countywide Strategic Plan directs the provisions of Operational Effectiveness (Goal 1) and Integrated Serviced Delivery (Goal 3). Awarding these contracts will provide improved infrastructure to better serve the public and will enhance the quality of life in the affected communities.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

These actions will have no impact to the County General Fund.

The enclosure for each project includes the amount of the recommended contract as compared with the engineer's estimate, the other bids received, and more detailed fiscal and financial information.

The construction and maintenance services costs of \$1,197,000 and \$468,000 are included in the Fiscal Year 2011-12 Flood Control District Fund Budget.

The enclosures includes the amount of the recommended contract as compared with the engineer's estimate, the other bids received, and more detailed fiscal and financial information.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The contract agreements will be in the form previously reviewed and approved as to form by County Counsel. The recommended contracts were solicited on an open-competitive basis and are in accordance with applicable Federal, State, and County requirements. The contractors are in compliance with the Chief Executive Officer's and your Board's requirements.

The award of the contracts will not result in unauthorized disclosure of confidential information and will be in full compliance with Federal, State, and County regulations. These contracts contain terms and conditions supporting your Board's ordinances, policies, and programs including, but not limited to: the County of Los Angeles' (County) Greater Avenues for Independence and General Relief Opportunities for Work Programs (GAIN and GROW), Board Policy No. 5.050; Contract Language to Assist in Placement of Displaced County Workers, Board Policy No. 5.110; Reporting of Improper Solicitations, Board Policy No. 5.060; Notice to Contract Employees of Newborn Abandonment Law (Safely Surrendered Baby Law), Board Policy No. 5.135; Contractor Employee Jury Service Program, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.203; Notice to Employees Regarding the Federal Earned Income Credit (Federal Income Tax Law, Internal Revenue Service Notice 1015); Contractor Responsibility and Debarment, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.202; the County's Child Support Compliance Program, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.200; and Defaulted Property Tax Reduction Program Ordinance, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.206; Local Business Enterprise Preference Program, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.204; and the standard Board-directed clauses that provide for contract termination or renegotiation.

The State Public Contract Code requires the County to award construction contracts to a responsible contractor with the lowest responsive bid, which is defined as the firm that: (1) submits the bid with the lowest cost; (2) is deemed by the County to be responsive to specific criteria under the solicitation including, but not limited to, licensure, bonding, and insurance requirements; and (3) is determined by the LACFCD to be a responsible bidder by exhibiting the capability, capacity, experience, trustworthiness, and financial wherewithal to perform the work required under the bid solicitation.

To ensure the contracts are awarded to a responsible contractor with a satisfactory history of performance, bidders are required to report violations of the False Claims Act, criminal convictions, civil litigation, defaulted contracts with the County, complaints filed with the Contractor's State License Board, labor law/payroll violations, and debarment actions. As provided for in Board Policy No. 5.140, the information reported by each respective contractor was considered before making this recommendation to award.

The plans and specifications include the contractual provisions, methods, and material requirements necessary for this project and are on file with Public Works.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

Each of these projects was found to be categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act at the time your Board called for bids. The specifics of these findings are included in the enclosure for each project.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

The contracts were solicited on an open-competitive basis in accordance with the provisions of the State Public Contract Code.

The State Labor Code requires contractors to pay prevailing wage rates to all persons employed on public works construction contracts. These rates are determined by the Department of Industrial Relations and include contributions for fringe benefits such as vacations, pension funds, training, and health plans for each employee.

To further increase contractor awareness of contracting opportunities with Public Works, these projects were listed on the County website for upcoming bids. Public Works will review and approve the Faithful Performance and payment bonds filed by the contractors.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

These construction and maintenance service contracts will result in improved public works infrastructure in the communities where the work is scheduled.

CONCLUSION

Please return one adopted copy of this letter to the Department of Public Works, Construction Division.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Gail Farber".

GAIL FARBER
Director

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Enclosures

- c: Chief Executive Office (Rita Robinson)
County Counsel
Executive Office
Internal Services Department (Countywide
Contract Compliance)

AWARD OF CONTRACT
May 29, 2012

PROJECT ID NO. FCC0001209 - Alamitos Bay Pump Station and Claretta Drain Pump Station Upgrade (in the City of Long Beach), Supervisorial District 4.

TYPE OF WORK: Replacement of vertical mixed flow pumps and control system upgrades and the performance of other appurtenant work.

CALL FOR BIDS DATE: March 6, 2012 (Agenda Item 40)

BID OPENING DATE: April 10, 2012

BID SUMMARY:

Low	S. S. Mechanical Corporation 17631 Metzler Lane Huntington Beach, California 92647-6244 (714) 847-1317	\$1,197,000.00
2	Bestek Electrical Systems & Company	\$1,270,248.26
3	Environmental Construction, Inc.	\$1,359,276.00
4	Spiess Construction Company, Inc.	\$1,387,800.00
5	Griffith Company	\$1,411,000.00
6	MMC, Inc.	\$1,451,205.00

Norman A. Olsson Construction, Inc. (Olsson Construction) submitted a bid in the amount of \$1,268,000; however, Olsson Construction did not submit a properly completed bid bond as required; therefore, its bid was considered nonresponsive and rejected.

Metro Builders and Engineering Group, LTD submitted a bid in the amount of \$1,339,000; however, Metro Builders and Engineering Group, LTD, did not properly notarize the Noncollusion Affidavit as required, therefore, its bid was considered nonresponsive and rejected.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

Amount of estimate	\$1,400,000.00
Amount of recommended contract	\$1,197,000.00
Amount of recommended contract below estimate	\$ 203,000.00

The amount of recommended contract is 15 percent below the estimate.

Funding for this project is included in the Fiscal Year 2011-12 Flood Control District Fund Budget.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT:

On March 6, 2012, Agenda Item 40, your Board found this project categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act.

CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE:

The contract specifications require the work to be completed in 120 working days. It is estimated that the work will start in April 2013 and be completed in October 2013.

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AWARD OF CONTRACT
May 29, 2012

PROJECT ID NO. FMD0003125 - Catch Basin Cleanout 2012, Los Angeles River Watershed (various cities and unincorporated communities within the Los Angeles River Watershed), All Supervisorial Districts.

TYPE OF WORK: Cleaning of approximately 39,000 catch basins at various locations throughout the Los Angeles River Watershed.

CALL FOR BIDS DATE: March 6, 2012 (Agenda Item 39)

BID OPENING DATE: April 3, 2012

BID SUMMARY:

Low	+Ron's Maintenance 11542 Horley Avenue Downey, California 90241 (323) 359-3827	\$468,000.00
2	+Clean Environmental, Inc.	\$518,700.00
3	+J & G Maintenance Services, Inc.	\$546,000.00
4	Fix Painting Company	\$563,550.00
	+LSBE	

J&G Maintenance was considered nonresponsive because it failed to submit a sufficient bid bond for the project as required in the project specifications.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

Amount of estimate	\$468,000.00
Amount of recommended contract	\$468,000.00
Amount of recommended contract below estimate	\$ 0.00

The amount of the recommended contract is zero percent below the estimate.

Sufficient funds for this project are included in Fiscal Year 2011-12 Flood Control District Budget.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT:

On March 6, 2012, Agenda Item 39, your Board found this project categorically exempt.

CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE:

Estimated the work will start in June 2012 and be completed in September 2012. This project is to be completed in 85 working days.

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